



URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY MONTH COMPENDIUM OF ACTIVITIES

October is a perfect month to plant trees, help with forest restoration projects in your neighborhood and celebrate the many ways that trees benefit our communities. You can take advantage of several scheduled celebrations, tree planting, care & maintenance events, or create one of your own. Read on.

- ✦ **“NeighborWoods Month”** Throughout October, - sponsored by the non-profit Alliance for Community Trees. ACT offers free NeighborWoods Month materials when you register your event. Any activity that promotes the importance and benefits of the community forest can count as a project. For more information, visit the Alliance for Community Trees website.
- ✦ **Green Seattle Partnership** - forest restoration events throughout Seattle every weekend. Check out the events calendar to find a park near you or email contact@greenseattle.org
- ✦ **Community tree planting and restoration events** in Parks and Open Space areas on Mercer Island! Contact: www.earthcorps.org or paul.west@mercergov.org or www.mtsgreenway.org
- ✦ **Old Apple Tree Festival**, Saturday, Oct. 3, 9 AM to 2 PM, **Vancouver, WA**; Old Apple Tree Park, 112 Columbia Way. Celebrate the Northwest’s oldest living apple tree, (182 years young!).
- ✦ **Fall Leaf Festival** - October 17, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM, **Finch Arboretum**, 3404 W. Woodland Blvd., Spokane WA. Crafts and activities including compost demonstrations and leaf piles to jump into! Call 509-363-5455 for more information.
- ✦ **Fall Tree Festival** October 17th. 10 AM to 3 PM, Wright Park, Tacoma. The annual event includes tree climbing, art projects and a scavenger hunt.
- ✦ **Lake Hills Greenbelt tree planting**, Saturday, October 17, Lake Hills Greenbelt, Bellevue. This project is one of many Stewardship Saturday volunteer events For more information about Stewardship events please contact **Christina** at 425-452-4195.
- ✦ **Persuasion and the Benefits of Urban Trees** - October 21, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Pierce County Environmental Services Building, University Place, WA (Tacoma area). Learn communication techniques for discussing benefits of urban and community forestry to community groups, homeowners and elected official.
- ✦ **FREE TREE!!!** If your organization *wants* to celebrate the month by planting a tree, but does not have the means to purchase one, contact Urban Forest Nursery, Inc. The nursery has offered to donate a tree to deserving groups. **Numbers are limited!** Call Jim at: (360) 428-5810

Need more information about urban and community trees, the benefits they provide or how to start a tree advocacy program in your community? Visit DNR Urban and Community Forestry program webpage, call (800) 523-8733, or email us at urban_forestry@dnr.wa.gov.

